

# CRAFT HAS 100 SWORDFISH.

SCH. JAMES AND ESTHER AT T WHARF TODAY WITH BIGGEST CATCH OF SEASON.

Three nice swordfish fares in addition to several trips of fresh fish are among the arrivals at T wharf, Boston, this morning, with a fair demand for fish, but prices low on haddock and hake.

Sch. James and Esther has the largest fare of swordfish of this season with just an even 100 fish on board, while sch. Rita A. Viator had 71 and sch. Viking, 36. There was a ready demand for swordfish, which sold at 11 1-4 cents a pound.

Among the largest trips of fresh fish are the steam trawlers Spray, Ripple and Foam, with 60,000, 43,000 and 82,000 pounds a piece, respectively. Sch. Ellen and Mary has 51,000 pounds, sch. Pontiac, 61,000 pounds, Olive F. Hutchings, 57,000 pounds, sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 45,000 pounds.

Haddock sold at 75 cents to \$2 a hundred pounds, large cod, \$4.50 to \$5, market cod \$3 to \$3.25; hake, \$1, pollock, \$4, and fresh mackerel, 26 cents for large and 17 cents for mediums.

## Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:  
Steamer Spray, 53,000 haddock, 7000 cod.  
Steamer Ripple, 40,000 haddock, 300 cod.  
Steamer Foam, 72,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Ellen and Mary, 38,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 11,000 hake.  
Sch. Pontiac, 53,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 7000 hake.  
Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 44,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 11,000 hake.  
Sch. W. M. Goodspeed, 28,000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Matchless, 200 haddock, 11,000 cod, 23,000 hake.  
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 30,000 haddock, 15,000 cod.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, 12,000 haddock, 1200 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Fish Hawk, 2000 haddock, 14,000 cod.  
Sch. Ignatius Enos, 1800 cod.  
Sch. Eva Avina, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Juniata, 1500 cod.  
Sch. Sarah, 140 fresh mackerel, 1 swordfish.  
Sch. Viking, 36 swordfish.  
Sch. James and Esther, 100 swordfish.  
Sch. Rita A. Viator, 71 swordfish.  
Sch. Lillian.  
Sch. Reliance.  
Haddock, 75 cts to \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.50 to \$5; market cod, \$2 to \$3.25; hake, \$1 to \$2.25; pollock, \$4; swordfish, 11 1-4 cts. per lb.; fresh mackerel, 26 cts. and 17 cts. each.

## Quite a Difference.

As has been said in the Times several times before, Gloucester is not the worst place on the coast to dispose of halibut. This morning sch. Rena A. Percy sold her fare to the American Halibut Company here at 8 1-2 cents for white and 6 1-2 cents for grays, while at Portland schs. Paragon and Monitor of this port and a Portland vessel with about 10,000 weight are reported sold at 61-2 cents for white and 4 1-2 cents a pound for gray.

## Saw School of Turtles.

When the steamer Buckminster, in at New York this week from Cuba, was 70 miles south of Winter Quarter Shoals lightship, off the Virginia coast, she ran through a school of more than 150 green turtles, some of which were more than five feet long. It is unusual for the turtles to travel so far north. A current from the Gulf Stream is working northward at this point and the turtles were probably in this.

## Growth of Cold Storage.

Before 1905 a modern, equipped cold storage plant was unknown in Nova Scotia. At present there are four, one of the largest of which is planning to double its output before the close of the year. Each of the plants employs from 150 to 200 men, and the capital invested in the business amounts to \$500,000.

## Portland Fishing Notes.

Herring have entirely disappeared from Portland, and gone to the eastward, as is usual at this season. They were reported as schooling Friday off Monhegan and Port Clyde, quite a few having been taken in those localities. In a few days they will start again on their migration going further east at each fresh start until they pass into the Bay of Fundy, from which they will return in the vicinity of Portland about the first of September. The storage plants at Vinalhaven and South West Harbor have taken in a large amount of the herring, which with the liberal quantity stored in the two Central wharf houses should ensure the fishermen against any scarcity of bait for a great many months. Shad as well as herring are not found as plentiful outside as a week ago, none having been brought in the past two days. It was blowing a fresh southwest breeze outside Friday, with quite a heavy sea on, so that the fishermen made no attempt at a catch. Most of them went east Saturday, where it is expected the fish will be found schooling.

Word has been received at Portland that the sardine herring have struck in at Boothbay in large quantities. The boats are not getting them as yet, but many barrels are being landed in the weirs. As a result, the packers are rushing work on full time. Cans in great numbers have been ordered from Portland and are being shipped as fast as possible. Meanwhile if the cans happen to fall short, the herring are held in the weirs until they are needed and then they are dipped out.

Capt. Dan Hayden in sch. Mary Sennett reported that he had not had the best of weather on his two weeks' run to LaHarve. Not only was the weather bad at times, but the dogfish were troublesome. The schooner brought in 5000 pounds of halibut and 3000 pounds of salt fish.

Loaded with salt fish on her way from Five Islands to Gloucester the schooner Mary E. Smith arrived at Portland Friday to wait for a change in wind. The schooner Lillie Alice also arrived from Harpswell.

## Location of Orleans Buoy.

Navigators running to the eastward will be gratified to learn that a combination gas, whistling, and submarine bell buoy was established on Tuesday last week off the Orleans life-saving station, its exact location being a point 7 1/2 miles S.S.E. from Nausett's light, 7 1/2 miles N.E. three-quarters E. from Chatham's light, E. by S half S. 3 3/4 miles from Orleans life-saving station, and N.E. by N. half 9 1/2 miles from Pollock Rip Shoals light vessel. This is a turning point for all vessels bound through Pollock Rip and Great Round Shoals channel, hence this buoy will provide a much-needed aid to navigation. It is also one of a series of three which New England coast navigators have urged the establishment of. The first was placed off Peaked Hill bar some time ago, the second one has just been established as stated above, and a third is needed off the Pamet river, and a movement is on foot to get the light-house commission to place one there. The constantly growing traffic, both in cargo and passengers, along the New England coast demands more efficient aids to navigation, which fact the government is evidently cognizant of.

## They Did Well.

Two Woods Harbor, N. S., fishermen are credited with stocking for \$1,100 each since March 1 last. The "Coast Guard," discussing this fact, says this was not all clear money by any means, yet allowing for gasoline and other operating expenses the net result is large. These two men use an auxiliary sloop, requiring about four gallons of gasoline each trip, and fish in 34 fathoms of water. Some large catches were made by other fishermen this spring, although the fishing was somewhat desultory owing to weather conditions.

## Want Fish in Shoal Water.

A great scarcity of fish is reported by the Nova Scotia deck and dory handliners fishing off the Banks, but they believe that when the bait strikes in shoal waters the fish will work up within reach of the handliners. The fish are now in deep water and only available for the trawlers, the Lunenburg fleet being especially successful.

## Lobsters Playing Out.

The short catch of lobsters on a wide stretch of shore in Nova Scotia goes far to confirm the opinion that the grounds have been exhausted by over-fishing, or more properly, by the slaughter of everything, regardless of the size limit. It does look as if the fishermen were facing a crisis, brought on by their own improvidence and contempt of legal restrictions.

## New Nova Scotia Craft.

Kenneth McAlpine has just launched one of the largest boats ever built in Shelburne. She is 43 feet long and is owned by Austin Swansburg, of Little Harbor. She is schooner-rigged and fitted out with a 6 horsepower double cylinder engine. The owner of the new craft will engage the vessel in the fishing business.

## The Fish Week at T Wharf.

A total of 2,650,250 pounds of fresh fish, from 73 arrivals was landed at Boston last week, against 2,114,550 pounds from 71 arrivals for the same period in 1911.

# PENSACOLA SKIPPER LOST.

Smack arrivals at Pensacola last week were as follows. For the Warren Fish Co., C. H. Colt, 10,000 lbs. red snappers, 7000 lbs. groupers. For E. E. Saunders & Co., John M. Keen, 8000 lbs. red snappers, 1000 lbs. groupers; Ciconnet, 15,000 lbs. red snappers, 7000 lbs. groupers; Clara R. Harwood, 6000 lbs. red snappers; Nautiles, 3500 lbs. red snappers, 600 lbs. groupers; Carrie B. Welles, 3000 lbs. red snappers.

Capt. Albert Perry of the fishing smack Nautilus, owned and operated by the Saunders Fish & Ice Co., of Pensacola, Fla., was drowned from his boat a week ago Sunday morning in Pensacola Bay. He went bathing off the smack in five feet of water. He could not swim. After a bath in the salt water, Capt. Perry rested for a time on board his boat. Meantime the wind shifted, sending the hull into deeper water. When the captain took "one last dive" he was in water 10 feet deep. It was some minutes before any of his crew missed him. He had gone to the bottom and had stayed there. All efforts to revive him were fruitless.

President Hans Johnson elected at the annual meeting a few weeks ago head of the Fishermen's Benevolent Association, Star of the Sea, at Pensacola, Fla., has resigned. Offering his resignation President Johnson explained he was out of the city a greater part of the time and would not be able to attend all of the meetings. Vice-President George Cooley was elected to fill the vacancy and Capt. John Larson of the smack Galatea, was elected to succeed Mr. Cooley as vice-president.

# PRESENT SALT FISH MARKET.

The position of some holders of old fish today is one deserving of considerable sympathy, says the Fishing Gazette. Last fall, under the influence of a great boom for expansion, they bought and cured fish at high prices, and for a time all went well. But the turning point came towards the end of the year, and many merchants who would not then accept lower prices for their goods find themselves now with a much larger loss and facing a still further declining market.

Recent advices from Halifax per the "Maritime Merchant" estimates the Lunenburg catch as between 70 and 80 thousand quintals, with a probable quotation of \$4.50, to be followed by a drop to \$4. A large proportion of the new catch is also said to be small fish and heavily salted. The fleet are now preparing to go to the banks, where codfish are said to be plentiful.

The latest information from Europe indicates that the market there for dried codfish is sagging, says the Fishing Gazette, except for the very best quality of fish, which, however, are now very scarce and firmly held. The heavy landings of Norwegian codfish, estimated now as 100 millions, compared with 55 millions, the average catch of the last five years, has demoralized nearly all the foreign markets. From South American, West Indian and Mediterranean points reports occur as to falling markets and probable further reductions in prices.

# HADDOCK FOR THE SPLITTERS.

OFF SHORE STOCK IS NOT IN DEMAND AT T WHARF THIS MORNING.

A total of 14 fares of fresh fish constitutes the receipts at T wharf, Boston this morning, but trade was not very brisk, off shore haddock especially being in but little demand.

Sch. Flora L. Oliver has about 65,000 pounds, but will bring her trip here to split. Sch. Robert and Arthur has 40,000 pounds, Josie and Phoebe, 45,000 pounds and steamer Surf, 76,000 pounds. Several of the shore boats also have have good trips and will dispose of their fares.

Haddock sold at \$1.25 to \$1.50 a hundred weight, large cod, \$4.50 to \$5; market cod, \$2 and pollock, \$4.50.

## Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:  
Sch. Flora L. Oliver, 50,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 1500 hake, 1000 halibut.  
Sch. Mina Swim, 2500 haddock, 19,000 cod 2000 pollock.  
Sch. Annie and Jennie, 3200 cod, 2500 pollock, 1000 halibut.  
Sch. Robert and Arthur, 40,000 haddock, 1900 cod.  
Sch. Josie and Phoebe, 3700 haddock, 8000 cod.  
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 23,000 haddock, 3000 cod.  
Sch. Emily Sears, 3900 cod, 1700 pollock.  
Sch. Olivia Sears, 2500 cod.  
Sch. Rose Cabral, 12,000 cod, 3000 hake, 3000 cusk.  
Str. Surf, 70,000 haddock, 8600 cod.  
Sch. Ellen C. Burke 1500 haddock, 7000 cod.  
Sch. Eleanor DeCosta, 2000 haddock, 6500 cod, 4000 hake.  
Sch. Rebecca, 25,000 haddock, 2100 cod.  
Sloop Peal, 500 fresh mackerel.  
Haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.50 to \$5; market cod, \$2; pollock, \$4.50 fresh mackerel, 30 cts. and 14 cts. each.

# NOVA SCOTIA TO TRY GILL NETS.

Gill net fishing will probably be tried out on the Nova Scotia coast in the near future, says the Fishing Gazette. This method of fishing, which does not require bait, and has been worked successfully by Gloucester fishermen, was first tried by the United States Government a few years ago, but with poor success until last winter. The method used is to equip a small steamer of 50 to 75 tons. These boats leave port early in the morning and drop the nets overboard and allow them to rest on the bottom until the following day, when the first net is attached to a steam capstan. This enables the crew, which consists of eight men, to get promptly to work. As soon as the nets have all been taken in and the steamer headed home with her catch, another set of nets is put out to be taken up the next day. An additional advantage of this method of fishing is that the nets, which do not have a smaller mesh than 5 1-2 inches do not take the small fish or destroy fish too small for market. The operating expenses are from \$20 to \$30 per day, according to the size of the boats, with daily returns of from \$140 to \$300.

## Porto Rico Market.

There is no change in the local situation, say S. Ramirez & Co., of San Juan, on June 18. Sales continues to be made at San Juan at \$29.50 for medium and \$30 for large codfish, net ex wharf. These prices, however, cannot be had at Ponce or Mayaguez, where the influx of inferior goods is considerably felt still. The stocks of pollock and haddock are moderate, and a better tone on these prevails, especially at Ponce. We quote \$16.50 at San Juan and Mayaguez, and \$15 at Ponce for superior goods.

The arrivals of fishstuffs since last report were as follows: At San Juan, 56 tcs. cod, 1 tc. pollock, 500 bds. herring. At Ponce, 56 tcs. and 55 drums cod, 20 tcs. haddock. At Mayaguez, 25 tcs. cod, 100 bds. herring, 20 tcs. haddock, 26 tcs. dry fish. At Arecibo, 70 tcs. cod. At Aguadilla, 10 tcs. dry fish.



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**SPRING BANKER  
IS HOME TODAY.**

SHORE SEINERS STRUCK SHAD  
AND PORGY SCHOOLS OFF  
HERE YESTERDAY.

Sch. Arcadia, another of the spring bankers, arrived this morning from a four months' trip with 140,000 pounds of salt cod.

Two more of the shackers are also here this morning, sch. Virginia with a fare of 90,000 pounds of salt cod, and sch. Fannie Belle Atwood with 90,000 pounds of salt cod. Yesterday afternoon, sch. Belbina P. Domingoes brought down 50,000 pounds of fresh fish from Boston, which went to split. Sch. Hattie A. Heckman from salt drifting, is also among the morning arrivals, her haul being for 25,000 pounds of salt cod.

Several of the gasliners struck schools of shad off Newburyport yesterday, which were brought in here and sold. Some of the boats also landed some porgies yesterday afternoon and this morning large schools of fish being sighted off shore yesterday.

**Today's Arrivals.**

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:  
Sch. Virginia, shacking, 90,000 lbs. fresh cod.  
Sch. Fannie Bell Atwood, shacking, 90,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, salt drifting, 25,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, via Boston, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Str. Yankee, seining, 11,000 lbs. large pollock, 50 bbls. small pollock.  
Str. Advance, seining, 1000 lbs. large pollock, 25 bbls. small pollock.  
Str. Unknown, seining, 40 bbls. shad.  
Str. Bessie A., seining, 40 bbls. shad.  
Str. Independence, seining, 45 bbls. shad.  
Str. Alice, 20 barrels shad, 40 bbls. blue backs.  
Sloop Geraldine, netting, 50 fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Little Addie, netting, 650 fresh mackerel.  
Str. Lucky Box, seining, 30 bbls. shad.  
Str. Ethel, seining, 65 bbls. herring.  
Str. Jeffery, seining, 65 bbls. porgies.  
Steamer Mystery, seining, 100 bbls. porgies.  
Steamer Joanna, seining, 60 bbls. porgies.  
Sch. Monitor, via Portland.  
Sch. Paragon, via Portland.  
Sch. Arcadia, salt bank trawling, 140,000 lbs. salt cod.

**Vessels Sailed.**

Sch. W. H. Moody, Georges, handlining.  
Sch. Carrie C., Georges, handlining.  
Sch. Avalon, halibuting.  
Sch. Elsie, halibuting.  
Sch. S. P. Willard dory handlining.  
Sch. Terra Nova, shacking.  
Sch. Onator, shacking.  
Sch. Marguerite Haskins, seining.

**TODAY'S FISH MARKET.**

**Salt Fish.**

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3.25; medium, \$2.87 1-2; snappers, \$2.00.  
Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4 per cwt.; medium \$3.50; snappers, \$2.50.  
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$3.25; mediums, \$2.87 1-2. snappers, \$2.00.  
Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.12 1-2; mediums, \$3.50.  
Drift codfish, large, \$3.75; mediums, \$3.37 1-2.  
Haddock, \$1.50.  
Pollock, \$1.25.  
Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.  
Hake, \$1.25.  
Cape Shore salt mackerel, \$11 per bbl.

**Fresh Fish.**

Haddock, 70c per cwt.  
Peak and Cape North cod, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.  
Western cod, large, \$2; mediums, \$1.65; snappers, 75c.  
All codfish not gulled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.  
Hake, 70c.  
Cusk, large, \$1.30; medium, \$1.00; snappers, 50c.  
Dressed pollock, 80c; round, 70c.  
Bank halibut, 8 1-2 cents per lb. for white and 6 1-2 cents for gray.  
Fresh mackerel, 19 cents for large, 16 cents for medium.

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**He Is All Hands and the Cook.**  
"Nelle Nilson, Gloschter, Mss." is the name and hailing port painted on the stern of a little fishing sloop that came into T wharf, Boston, last Friday, with 350 pounds of rock cod. Captain Nelson of this city is the skipper, crew, cook and everything else aboard the craft with the peculiar name.

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**FEW MACKEREL  
BEING TAKEN.**

Four arrivals of mackerel were reported at Newport last evening, steamer Wilcox seining 100 barrels of tinkers. Other arrivals were schs. Clara G., 12 barrels tinkers; Wood and Mack, 12 barrels tinkers; W. H. Clements, 800 large fresh mackerel.

The only arrival at Boston this forenoon is sloop Pearl with 500 fresh mackerel which sold at 30 cents and 14 cents each.

Yesterday afternoon at this port, sch. Little Addie landed 650 fresh mackerel here, and sloop Geraldine, 50 fresh mackerel.

The catch of Norwegian mackerel at Christiansund, June 5 to June 12, amounted to 280,000 fish; at Egersund, 80,000; at Longersund, 70,000. Sales from 21-2c. to 31-2c. each. Catches were all shipped to market on ice.

During the last few days, says the Fishing Gazette, an active movement has taken place in Norway and other goods and a good trade is being done, the Norways being especially firm. The first shipment of the new spring Norway salt mackerel, per str. United States, is due in New York next week. Old Irish is fairly steady on moderate stocks. New Irish is reported as selling slowly.

Shipments were made June 15 from Liverpool of 340 bbls. to Boston and 398 bbls. to Philadelphia, and the total shipments to date of Irish spring mackerel were given as 3,300 bbls. Shipments of Irish mackerel June 22 were cabled as follows: To Boston, 6673 bbls., and to all other points 1,400 bbls.; count, 300 to 350 per bbl. The state of the fishing was reported as fair.

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**Fulton Fish Market Notes.**

This was a week of low priced fish with a few exceptions. Groundfish was cheap, so were fluke, and flounders. Porgies and seabass could be had almost for the asking. The only varieties high in price were bluefish. Everything else was either very cheap or normal.

Haddock sold at two to three cents. Hake sales were made at two and a half to three cents.

Western halibut brought 10 cents and Eastern white halibut 12 to 13 cents.

Market cod brought two and a half to four cents. Steakfish sold at four and half to 10 cents.

Boston mackerel brought 20 to 25 cents. Last Saturday the quotation was 30 cents. During the corresponding week of last year there were few mackerel in the market and they brought as much as 35 cents.

Pollock sold at four and a half to six cents. The high figure ruled only on Tuesday, when there was little buying.

**Portland Fish Notes.**

Two of the Portland fishing schooners also arrived Sunday, the Angie B. Watson and Watauga, each having about 6000 pounds of halibut in addition to a small fresh fish fare. The Watson fished on Quereau, Le Nave and about a dozen other places, finding dog fish plenty at every stop.

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**Seizing Halibut.**

The "Pacific Fisherman" says the State health authorities continue their spectacular seizures of halibut in the Spokane markets. The practice of defending the local retailer at the expense of the Seattle producer is also continued. When a seizure is made in the local markets the authorities spread broadcast a report that the seizure was made as soon as the fish arrived there from Seattle, while in the majority of cases the fish is that which has been held over long by the retailer because of poor market.

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**MORE MACKEREL  
FARES IN TODAY.**

Trips Are Small,  
Skippers Report Fish  
Very Wild.

The seiners have again struck them, several schools of fresh mackerel being taken down on Round Shoal Monday which were landed at Boston and Provincetown yesterday afternoon and this morning.

Sch. Effie M. Prior, Capt. Elroy Prior arrived at T dock yesterday afternoon with 6500 fish. This morning sch. Clintonia, Capt. Ralph Webber is in with 3500 fish in count, sch. Constellation, Capt. Thaddeus F. Morgan, 3000 fresh; sch. Saladin, Capt. John Matheson, 3000 fresh and sch. Electric Flash, Capt. William Bissert, also 3000 fish.

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes brought in 600 fresh mackerel yesterday afternoon, while one of the Nahant trap boats landed 3000 tinkers.

At Provincetown yesterday was sch. Benjamin A. Smith Capt. George E. Heckman had 1500 fresh mackerel,

sch. Dorcas, 2000 fresh mackerel, and steamer Bessie M. Dugan Capt. Jerry Cook 500 fresh mackerel.

**Seine Badly Torn.**

Sch. Arthur James, Capt. Archibald Devine, tore his seine badly yesterday and is in here this morning to put his seine in the loft for repairs, so as to get speedily underway again. The James had about 400 fresh mackerel which sold at 23 cents and 15 cents each.

Sch. Monarch, Capt. John Vautier, is also in here with about 400 fish which also sold this forenoon.

Sch. Eddie A. Minot arrived this morning with 700 large and fresh mackerel, the fish being taken off Norman's Land.

Reports from the fleet say that fish are still schooling off the Highlands and Cape Cod shore but are wild and close inshore. All the catches recently have been made on the slack of the tide.

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**Pacific Coast Fish Notes.**

The motor fishing schooner San Jose of the fleet of halibut fishing vessels operated by the San Juan Fish Company, of Seattle, Washington, was towed into Neah Bay, a week ago, Sunday night by the United States revenue cutter Snohomish. The San Jose dropped her propeller wheel on Cape Scott, Vancouver Island.

The fishing schooner Ysabel May recently landed at Victoria, B. C., more than 35,000 pounds of halibut taken off the west coast of Vancouver Island. Stormy weather interfered with fishing or the catch would have been much greater. It was the vessel's second trip this season.

**Sighted Big Iceberg.**

Capt. Northell of the British oil tank steamship Horsley, which arrived at New York Saturday, reported to the local Weather Bureau that he sighted a huge iceberg on June 22 off the Banks of Newfoundland. He said the berg was about 4000 feet square, 150 feet high and had an inclosed bay in the center large enough to float a ship.

The berg was in latitude 48.40 north longitude 50.08 west and considerably north of the present track of trans-Atlantic ships.

**Fish and Wine.**

At Frontignan, Herault, France, recently, 700 gallons of confiscated wine were poured into a canal by the customs officers. The wine, it is said, had a very intoxicating effect on the fish and they were easily picked out of the water by hand. The housewives refused to buy fish when they could get them themselves, and the fishermen in the district united to protest against the action of the customs officers, but their protest was unavailing.

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**AN INTERVIEW  
WITH SIR EDWARD.**

WHAT NEWFOUNDLAND'S PREMIER HAS TO SAY ABOUT PART OF HAGUE AWARD.

Sir Edward Morris, one of Great Britain's representatives at the recent conference in Washington, D. C., about The Hague decision, is quoted by the Reuter's news agency on his arrival in London a week ago as follows:

"I have just come from Washington, where I went to arrange various matters connected with the fisheries question settled at The Hague. The principal question we had to discuss was the delimitation of the bays around our coasts. Newfoundland had always wished for a geographical bay while the United States held out for a ten-mile line drawn across the bay. I am happy to say an agreement was arrived at between the United States, Canada and Newfoundland, but its terms will not be made public until it has been referred to the U. S. Senate and the respective governments. The fifth question submitted to us was from where must be measured the 'three marine miles of any of the coasts, bays, creeks or harbors' referred to in the treaty. Under the convention of 1818 the Americans renounced the liberty to fish in any of the coasts, bays, etc., described in the treaty. In regard to this question Great Britain claimed the renunciation applied to all bays generally and the United States contended that it applied to bays of a certain class or condition, for example bays less than six miles wide.

"The tribunal decided that the three miles are to be measured from a straight line drawn across the body of water at the place where it ceases to have the configuration and characteristics of a bay. At all other places the three marine miles are to be measured following the sinuosities of the coast. But the arbitrators felt this answer, though correct in principle, was not entirely satisfactory as to its applicability, and they recommended certain rules and a method of procedure for determining the limits of certain enumerated bays as follows:

"First, in every bay not specifically provided for, the limits shall be drawn three miles seaward, from a straight line across the bay, in the part nearest the entrance, at the first point where the width does not exceed 10 miles. In bays where the configuration of the coast and the local climatic conditions are such that foreign fishermen, when within the geographical headlands, might reasonably and bona fide believe themselves on the high seas, the limits of exclusion shall be drawn in each case between the headlands hereinafter specified as being those at and within which such fishermen might reasonably be expected to recognize the bay under average conditions.

"The bays mentioned which concern Newfoundland are delimited as follows: From Fortune Bay, N. F., the line from Connaigre Head to the Light on the southeasterly end of Brunet Island, thence to Fortune Head. The limits of exclusion for Placentia Bay shall be three marine miles seawards from the following lines, namely: The line from Latins Point, on the eastern mainland shore, to the most southerly point of Red Island, thence by the most southerly point of Merasheen Island to the mainland. Conception Bay was not included in the rules."